

In the claims:

1. (Currently amended) A semiconductor structure comprising:
a semiconductor substrate having a strained layer-free region and a strained layer region,
wherein the strained layer region has a trench selectively formed in the substrate, and
comprises: a SiGe layer formed in the trench, and an epitaxial silicon layer formed on the
SiGe layer;
a first device formed in the strained layer-free region of the semiconductor substrate; and
a second device formed in the strained layer region of the semiconductor substrate.
2. (Original) The semiconductor structure of claim 1, wherein the first device comprises a memory cell and the second device comprises an FET.
3. (Original) The semiconductor structure of claim 2, wherein the memory cell is a low-leakage DRAM cell and the FET is a MOSFET logic device.
4. Canceled.
5. (Currently amended) The semiconductor structure of claim 1 4, wherein the epitaxial silicon layer is from about 2.5 to about 10 nm thick.
6. (Currently amended) The semiconductor structure of claim 1 4, wherein the SiGe layer is epitaxially grown.
7. (Currently amended) The semiconductor structure of claim 1 4, wherein the strained layer region further comprises a spacer formed on a sidewall of the trench, the spacer isolating strain produced in the strained layer region from the strained layer-free region.
8. (Currently amended) The semiconductor structure of claim 1 4, wherein the trench is from about 100nm to about 400nm deep.

9. (Currently amended) A method for fabricating a semiconductor structure comprising the steps of:

- a) providing a semiconductor substrate having a strained- layer free region;
- b) forming a first device in the strained layer-free region of the semiconductor substrate;
- c) selectively forming a strained layer region in the semiconductor substrate comprising:
 - i) forming a trench having a bottom surface and a sidewall surface;
 - ii) forming a layer of SiGe in the trench; and
 - iii) forming a layer of silicon on the layer of SiGe; and
- d) forming a second device in the strained layer region.

10. Canceled.

11. (Currently amended) The method of claim 9 ~~10~~, wherein step (ii) comprises epitaxially growing the layer of SiGe.

12. (Currently amended) The method of claim 9 ~~10~~, wherein step (iii) comprises epitaxially growing the layer of silicon.

13. (Currently amended) The method of claim 9 ~~10~~, wherein the layer of silicon is from about 2. 5 rim to about 10 rim thick.

14. (Currently amended) The method of claim 9 ~~10~~, wherein after step (i), forming a spacer on the sidewall surface.

15. (Original) The method of claim 9, wherein the first device comprises a memory cell and the second device comprises an FET.

16. (Original) The method of claim 15, wherein the memory cell is a low-leakage DRAM cell and the FET is a MOSFET logic device.